

corporation shall consist of the persons named in section 971 of this title, their survivors and such additional persons, if any, as shall be named by them.

**(b) Tenure**

Thereafter, the board of governors of the corporation shall consist of such number (not less than fifteen), shall be selected in such manner (including the filling of vacancies), and shall serve for such term as may be provided in the bylaws of the corporation.

**(c) Duties**

The board of governors shall be the governing body of the corporation and, during the intervals between the meetings of members, shall be responsible for the general policies and program of the corporation and for the control of all funds of the corporation. The board of governors may appoint committees which shall have and exercise such powers as may be prescribed in the bylaws or by resolution of the board of governors, and which may be all of the powers of the board of governors.

(Pub. L. 86-680, § 7, Aug. 31, 1960, 74 Stat. 575.)

**§ 978. Officers**

(a) The officers of the corporation shall be a president, one or more vice presidents (as may be prescribed in the bylaws of the corporation), a secretary, a treasurer, one or more assistant secretaries and assistant treasurers, and such other officers as may be provided in the bylaws.

(b) The officers of the corporation shall be elected in such manner and for such terms and with such duties as may be prescribed in the bylaws of the corporation.

(Pub. L. 86-680, § 8, Aug. 31, 1960, 74 Stat. 575.)

**§ 979. Distribution of income or assets to members; loans**

(a) No part of the income or assets of the corporation shall inure to any of its members, governors, or officers as such, or be distributable to any of them during the life of the corporation or upon its dissolution or final liquidation. Nothing in this subsection, however, shall be construed to prevent the payment of compensation to officers and employees of the corporation in amounts approved by the board of governors of the corporation.

(b) The corporation shall not make loans to its members, governors, officers, or employees. Any governor who votes for or assents to the making of a loan or advance to a member, officer, governor or employee of the corporation, and any officer who participates in the making of such a loan or advance, shall be jointly and severally liable to the corporation for the amount of such loan until the repayment thereof.

(Pub. L. 86-680, § 9, Aug. 31, 1960, 74 Stat. 575.)

**§ 980. Nonpolitical nature of corporation**

The corporation and its members, governors, officers, and employees as such shall not contribute to or otherwise support or assist any political party or candidate for public office.

(Pub. L. 86-680, § 10, Aug. 31, 1960, 74 Stat. 576.)

**§ 981. Liability for acts of officers and agents**

The corporation shall be liable for the acts of its officers and agents when acting within the scope of their authority.

(Pub. L. 86-680, § 11, Aug. 31, 1960, 74 Stat. 576.)

**§ 982. Prohibition against issuance of stock or payment of dividends**

The corporation shall have no power to issue any shares of stock or to declare or pay any dividends.

(Pub. L. 86-680, § 12, Aug. 31, 1960, 74 Stat. 576.)

**§ 983. Books and records; inspection**

The corporation shall keep correct and complete books and records of account and shall keep minutes of the proceedings of its members, board of governors, and committees having any of the authority of the board of governors; and it shall also keep at its principal office a record of the names and addresses of its members entitled to vote. All books and records of the corporation may be inspected by any member entitled to vote, or his agent or attorney, for any proper purpose, at any reasonable time.

(Pub. L. 86-680, § 13, Aug. 31, 1960, 74 Stat. 576.)

**§ 984. Repealed. Pub. L. 88-504, § 4(34), Aug. 30, 1964, 78 Stat. 637**

Section, Pub. L. 86-680, § 14, Aug. 31, 1960, 74 Stat. 576, related to audit of financial transactions and report of such audit to Congress. See sections 1101 to 1103 of this title.

**§ 985. Use of assets on dissolution or liquidation**

Upon dissolution or final liquidation of the corporation, after discharge or satisfaction of all outstanding obligations and liabilities, the remaining assets, if any, of the corporation shall be distributed in accordance with the determination of the board of governors of the corporation and in compliance with the charter and bylaws of the corporation and all Federal and State laws applicable thereto.

(Pub. L. 86-680, § 15, Aug. 31, 1960, 74 Stat. 577.)

**§ 986. Duration of corporation**

The duration of the corporation shall be perpetual.

(Pub. L. 86-680, § 16, Aug. 31, 1960, 74 Stat. 577.)

**§ 987. Acquisition of assets and liabilities of existing corporation**

The corporation may acquire the assets of the Agricultural Hall of Fame, a general not-for-profit corporation organized under the laws of the State of Missouri, upon discharging or satisfactorily providing for the payment and discharge of all of the liabilities of such corporation.

(Pub. L. 86-680, § 17, Aug. 31, 1960, 74 Stat. 577.)

**§ 988. Reservation of right to amend or repeal chapter**

The right to alter, amend, or repeal this chapter is expressly reserved.

(Pub. L. 86-680, § 18, Aug. 31, 1960, 74 Stat. 577.)

# CHAPTER 40—NATIONAL WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS, AUXILIARY TO THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC

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## § 1001. Corporation created

The following persons, to wit:

President: Mabel R. Ginder, Toledo, Ohio;  
Senior vice president: Jessie Johnston, Cheyenne, Wyoming;

Junior vice president: Irene Randolph, Minneapolis, Minnesota;

Secretary: Bessie K. Coughlin, Providence, Rhode Island;

Treasurer: Ocie M. Tumey, Springfield, Illinois, executive officers;

Legislative committee: Laura I. Smith, chairman, 16 Temple Street, Providence, Rhode Island; Ethel Ferris Hasenbuhler, Washington, District of Columbia; and Marie Morgan, Indianapolis, Indiana;

Past national presidents: Cora M. Davis, Nehalem, Oregon; Catherine McBride Hoster, Indianapolis, Indiana; Annie Poole Atwood, Wollaston, Massachusetts; Beatrice J. Tyson, DeBary, Florida; Lizetta Coady, Detroit, Michigan; Mary J. Love, Louisville, Kentucky; Ida Heacock Baker, Parsons, Kansas; Elizabeth L. Kothe, Parkersburg, Iowa; Grace Houlette Hahn, Miami, Florida; Louise Haider, Santa Barbara, California; Anne Anschutz, Saint Louis, Missouri; Laura I. Smith, Providence, Rhode Island; Alice F. Larson, Minot, North Dakota; Grayce L. Vedetta, Brooklyn, New York; Harriette G. McCollough, Des Moines, Iowa; Eula M. Nelson, Springfield, Illinois; Daisy Heinemann, Milwaukee, Wisconsin; Grace L. Johnson, Toledo, Ohio; Ruth E. Johnson, Bellflower, California; Lucille V. Rand, Worcester, Massachusetts; Gertrude M. Edwards, Iroquois, South Dakota; Bessie K. Coughlin, Providence, Rhode Island; Elizabeth Jeans, Saint Louis, Missouri; and Josephine E. Parkhurst, Pulaski, New York, and their succes-

sors, are created and declared to be a body corporate of the District of Columbia, where its legal domicile shall be, by the name of the National Woman's Relief Corps, Auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic (hereafter referred to as the corporation), and by such name shall be known and have perpetual succession and the powers, limitations and restrictions herein contained.

(Pub. L. 87-650, § 1, Sept. 7, 1962, 76 Stat. 502.)

## REFERENCES IN TEXT

Herein, referred to in text, means Pub. L. 87-650, Sept. 7, 1962, 76 Stat. 502, as amended, which is classified generally to this chapter. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Tables.

## CODIFICATION

A provision of this section requiring the persons named in this section to file a copy of this chapter with the Superintendent of Corporations of the District of Columbia within fifteen days after Sept. 7, 1962, has been omitted from the Code.

## SECTION REFERRED TO IN OTHER SECTIONS

This section is referred to in section 1002 of this title.

## § 1002. Completion of organization

A majority of the persons named in section 1001 of this title, acting in person or by written proxy, are authorized to complete the organization of the corporation by the selection of officers, the adoption of a constitution and bylaws not inconsistent with this chapter, and the doing of such other acts as may be necessary for such purpose.

(Pub. L. 87-650, § 2, Sept. 7, 1962, 76 Stat. 503.)

## § 1003. Purposes of corporation

The purposes of the corporation shall be: To perpetuate the memory of the Grand Army of the Republic, as we the National Woman's Relief Corps are their auxiliary and were organized at their request in 1883, and of men who saved the Union in 1861 to 1865; to assist in every practicable way in the preservation and making available for research of documents and records pertaining to the Grand Army of the Republic and its members; to cooperate in doing honor to all those who have patriotically served our country in any war; to teach patriotism and the duties of citizenship, the true history of our country, and the love and honor of our flag; to oppose every tendency or movement that would weaken loyalty to, or make for the destruction or impairment of, our constitutional Union; and to inculcate and broadly sustain the American principles of representative government, of equal rights, and of impartial justice for all.

(Pub. L. 87-650, § 3, Sept. 7, 1962, 76 Stat. 503.)

## § 1004. Powers of corporation

The corporation shall have power—

- (1) to have succession by its corporate name;
- (2) to sue and be sued, complain and defend in any court of competent jurisdiction;
- (3) to adopt, use, and alter a corporate seal;
- (4) to choose such officers, as the corporation may require;
- (5) to adopt, amend, and alter a constitution and bylaws; not inconsistent with the laws of